



SCOTTISH MEN'S SHEDS ASSOCIATION



ANNUAL REPORT & FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

2020-2021

For the period: 1st April 2020—31st March 2021



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"In Scotland, For Scotland"

The SMSA exists to inspire and support men over the age of 18 with time on their hands to become engaged, in a healthy way, by voluntarily creating their own Men's Sheds in their local communities across Scotland.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

I have to report that the last twelve months have been the hardest that the SMSA has faced, since it was created in 2014, due to the current COVID-19 pandemic.

A year of almost total shutdown with only a few outdoor activities being able to carry on but many resourceful Sheds have managed to keep connected with their members by adopting Zoom, Microsoft Teams or even YouTube as a platform of communication.

I am old enough to remember when Zoom was a description of speed in a cartoon but today it is accepted, at all levels, as a new norm way of holding meetings and general chat sessions. We have also been able to keep in touch with members throughout Scotland with The Scottish Shedder magazine for which I would like to thank Michelle for all her hard work, professionalism and her understanding of the ethos of Men's Sheds.

On the political front, we have enjoyed support across all of the main parties in Scotland with an excellent debate in the Scottish Parliament in February 2021 which has resulted in the Scottish Government talking about longer-term funding for the SMSA.

For the first time, the SMSA prepared a Manifesto outlining our ambitions for the association going forward. This Manifesto was distributed to all candidates in the forthcoming Scottish election and will then be sent to all successful MSPs thereby keeping the SMSA and the grassroots Movement in the forefront of their minds.

The 2020 'Men's Shed of the Year' awards were very closely contested with Inverclyde Men's Shed being crowned the winner, Garnock Valley Men's Shed the runner-up and Kinross and District Men's Shed in third position. Thank you to everyone who voted and we look forward to nominations for 2021.

We can now look forward to getting Sheds reopened as soon as the Scottish Government announce that it is safe to do so therefore the SMSA has issued its guidance for reopening and we encourage all Sheds to follow this to protect Shedders.

Our Association and member Sheds will have even greater demands made upon them, in the near future, as more men will require the kind of facilities and opportunities that Sheds provide following this prolonged period of pandemic. Sheds have always been resourceful and I am confident that they will be again in meeting the demands made upon them.

Sue Salter joined our team in March 2021 and has taken responsibility for the administration role and I would like to officially welcome her to the SMSA. May I also on a personal note thank Jason for all his support and advice in my first year as Chairman.

Finally, we are a growing organisation and require more Trustees to enable us to keep supporting Sheds and promoting the Shed movement therefore if you feel that you can make a positive contribution to the future of the SMSA, please let us know as working "shoulder to shoulder" is what the SMSA is all about.



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David Gardner
SMSA CHAIRMAN

EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

The SMSA team, Board of Trustees and Scottish Sheds have demonstrated tremendous resilience during the course of this year. These really were unprecedented and extraordinary times that our global community was not prepared for.

The pandemic changed all of our lives. Shed doors were forced to close and we all had to stay apart however, the 'togetherness' spirit and connectivity continued, albeit in a new form.

When COVID-19 hit, the SMSA's core funding from the Scottish Government immediately came under threat. We quickly produced a revised pandemic plan to ensure Sheddors and supporters of the Movement stayed connected and we received funding to ensure our survival however this was vastly reduced to £50,000.

Due to this shortfall, the Association was not able to replace our Administrator for almost a year and this had a knock-on effect to the existing team who had to absorb this workload. Already stretched, we also had to seek alternative funding streams. This impacted on our own health and fatigue and tough choices had to be made to put on hold some of the vital support roles that we did pre-pandemic.

Our team moved to homeworking to ensure continuity and we quickly adapted to a new 'Zoom' world and having Shed Network Regional Meetings online instead of 'shoulder to shoulder'. We were able to keep Board members in the loop but also heard directly what were the most pressing issues for them and what support they required.

The information gathered from these online meetings then formed the bones of the SMSA's COVID-19 strategy and led to the development of our Shed-specific COVID-19 Reopening Guidance and idea to trial Pathfindr Safe Distancing Assistant units with ten Sheds. Following the success of the trial, the SMSA then secured £100,000 from the Scottish Government to roll this initiative out nationally and also offer an emergency funding pot for Sheds most severely affected by the pandemic to ensure no Shed faced permanent closure due to their inability to fundraise.

The Shedding community rose to the challenge creating personal protective equipment for frontline workers from the safety of their homes, delivered shopping and prescriptions to vulnerable members of their communities and introduced buddy systems and online forums to stay connected.

Over the course of the year, the Movement stayed strong and continued to grow at a steady pace. Shed Membership rose from 126 to 134 and Individual Membership increased from 2,315 to 2,522. Open and developing Men's Shed groups across Scotland is now totalled at 192—with a reach of 10,000+ men – which is phenomenal.

The SMSA maintains good relationships with existing multi-year funders – The William Grant Foundation and the Scottish Government—and is delighted to welcome a new funder, The Robertson Group, who has committed to our cause over the next three years. It is fair to say that without their support – we would not still be here today.

The SMSA continued to work in partnership with Glasgow Caledonian University's [Sheds for Sustainable Development Project](#). The University, in partnership with the SMSA, has built up extensive research, specific to Scotland, over a four-year period. This is a huge leap forward and for the first time ever, we now have briefings and internationally peer-reviewed published papers evidencing the impact and benefits of Scottish Men's Sheds on men's health and wellbeing to raise awareness and seek funding to grow the Movement further.

The spirit of the Movement as a whole, over this past year, has been nothing short of inspirational however, I am now witnessing the COVID-fatigue of some Shed Trustee Board members and we will continue to spearhead for improved localised support for the Shed Network through the appointment of Regional Development Officers across Scotland to assist volunteers in post-COVID-recovery over the next three to five years.

Our future plans include improving our reach to the Armed Forces and Veterans community and Blue Light services (police, fire services, emergency responders) to make them more aware of Sheds as a pathway choice.

The SMSA is represented on the Armed Forces and Veterans Community Cross-Party Group and we will also work in co-production with the relevant third and public sector agencies. The SMSA is also working in partnership with Education Scotland on exciting new developments for intergenerational working and film projects within our schools so watch this space.

The Association is trailblazing for social change to ultimately secure the future growth of this grassroots Movement to get the long-term commitment it rightly deserves.



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Jason Schroeder
EXECUTIVE OFFICER

TREASURER'S REPORT

This has been another financially challenging year for the SMSA with Shed closures, uncertainty over core funding and a loss of staff. The pandemic has had an unprecedented effect on the third sector as a whole and in that respect, the charity is thankful to report its survival and an overall surplus of income for the financial year.

This increased 'surplus', however, is a result of the ring-fenced grants received to support Men's Sheds across Scotland and makes financial reporting a little more complex this year. Total expenditure for the 1st April 2020 to 31st March 2021 period was £98,794 (£69,621 unrestricted and £29,173 restricted), with overall surplus of income over expenditure for the year being £136,692 (£58,365 unrestricted and £78,327 restricted).

The Association secured a £10,000 COVID-19 Business Support Grant and £50,000 core funding from the Scottish Government. £100,000 restricted funding was also received from the Scottish Government for emergency funding for Sheds severely affected by the pandemic and to provide and distribute Pathfindr Safe Distancing Assistants for Scottish Sheds. The Pathfindr devices were also supported (£7,500) through our partnership with the Scottish Community Alliance.

We are delighted to report multi-year funding in recognition of our vital work. The William Grant Foundation committed to three year funding and during this financial period provided two grants totalling £45,000. The Robertson Trust also provided £20,000 as part of its three-year support towards our core work. Without this, the SMSA could simply not continue.

It must also be noted that the £14,850 from Macmillan Cancer Support - to research what

improvements could be made in regards to men's experiences and awareness of cancer services - was granted in the previous financial year (2019/2020), however this work has been delayed due to COVID-19 and therefore remains in this year's accounts.

A fall in Shed membership subscriptions is reported; however, this is a result of the SMSA waiving these fees until 31st March 2021 when Sheds closed their doors in lockdown. An increase in general donations however, has counteracted this shortfall.

Turning to our vastly reduced operating costs. Staff and pension costs were significantly reduced due to the loss of our Administrator. Due to lockdown and the closure of SMSA's offices, the Association negotiated a reduction in rent resulting in a saving of approximately £6,000 for the year.

The restrictions on travel and moving Shed Network Regional Meetings online resulted in travel costs for the year of only £72 in comparison to £5,825 the previous year.

Whilst the reduction in some of these costs were due to the pandemic and/or out of our hands, the SMSA also strives to make savings wherever possible. Moving the SMSA newsletter, 'The Scottish Shedder', to a digital-only publication for example contributed to our total postage and printing costs being reduced from £4,390 in 2019/2020 to £1,668 in 2020/2021.

Going forward, the SMSA staff and board will continue to strive to make additional cost savings where possible. We will also proactively seek long-term commitment from new funders and supporters to ensure the sustainability and growth of the charitable Association.



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Jon Searle
SMSA TREASURER

A WORD FROM OUR PATRON



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Sir Harry Burns
SMSA PATRON

The past 12 months have been hard. Many men will have lost someone close to them. Those who have recovered from the virus may be struggling with the problems of long Covid and the isolation of lockdown will have brought loneliness and depression to many.

While the vaccination programme has been successful in reducing the worst effects of the virus, as we move into winter, it is possible that improvements will slow and we will continue to experience further infections.

What can we do to recover our wellbeing? How can we feel in control again? My medical career taught me that people who were at risk of ill health because of poor diet, alcohol etc did not need to be told their habits were damaging their health. They knew perfectly well what they were doing.

Life was not good for them and, if the drink made them feel better, then they didn’t care if it harmed them. I realised that the problem with Scotland’s health was not too much illness, rather, it was not enough wellness!

So, what causes us to have a sense of wellbeing? Basically, it is a feeling of being in control of our lives. Extensive research has shown that having a network of friends you can turn to for support is an important driver of wellbeing.

One of the issues we are constantly thinking about in Scotland is health inequalities. Many people think that the answer to inequalities is to be found in political action. Minimum pricing of alcohol, banning smoking in public places have definitively had a positive impact on health. However, building that sense of wellbeing in people who are struggling requires a different approach.

I have realised that successful health improvement projects have one thing in common. They don’t tell people what to do or what they need. Instead, they ask them “What matters to you? What do you need to feel better?” They then help that person achieve that aim. In doing so, the individuals begins to feel in control. The companionship of trusted friends is an important part of maintaining well-being in our lives.

Men’s Sheds seem to me to be perfectly placed to support wellbeing in those that use them. They are described as being about “social connections and friendship building, sharing skills and knowledge, and of course a lot of laughter.” This is the perfect description of a programme for creating and supporting wellbeing.

At this difficult time, when relationships are under strain and friends and relatives have been lost, we need positive social connections more than ever. It seems to me that Men’s Sheds can play a significant role in post Covid recovery for those that use them. We need to look after each other.

Sir Harry Burns – Professor of Global Public Health, University of Strathclyde and President of the British Medical Association – was officially announced as the patron of the SMSA in March 2020. He was the Chief Medical Officer for Scotland for nine years (September 2005 to April 2014) and became renowned for his accomplishments in addressing health inequalities.

Sir Harry was knighted in 2011 in recognition of his outstanding achievement and service to society. He is a member of the Council of Economic Advisers in Scotland and, in December 2014, First Minister Nicola Sturgeon presented him with the Lifetime Achievement Award at the inaugural Scottish Public Service Awards, recognising his lasting contribution to public service.

The primary role of Sir Harry Burns, as SMSA patron, is to lend credibility and support to the SMSA. Within his prominent health roles and to his peers, he will represent the Men’s Sheds Movement in Scotland.

KEY HIGHLIGHTS OF THE YEAR



+9%

Increase in the number of **SMSA Individual Members** up to 2,522

+6%



Increase in the number of **SMSA Shed Members** up to 134



£30k

Emergency Funding allocated to Scottish Sheds severely impacted by the pandemic

800 Pathfindr Safe Distancing Assistants distributed to Scottish Men's Sheds

£60k



The SMSA joins a wealth of **partners** at relevant groups to **expand its reach** to further represent Sheds at a strategic level and ensure their voice is heard. The SMSA Board of Trustees have also taken up regional Shed development support roles to support members nationwide



Improving the efficiency of the charity through an audit of the database, streamlining processes and a new online accounts system



Staying connected digitally and creating **COVID-19 strategies** and **Shed-specific COVID-19 Reopening Guidance** for Scottish Sheds



4,700 average pageviews per month to SMSA website

1,500 hits per month to the 'Find a Shed' map



On the brink of closure, Scottish Government funds secured for COVID-19 strategy plan. Multi-year funds and support granted by the William Grant Foundation and The Robertson Trust



FUTURE PLANS



Investment to Lead Change

Secure stable long-term funding to enable the Association to continue its unique support in maintaining and co-ordinating a thriving grassroots Men's Sheds Movement in Scotland



Improved Localised Support for the Shed Network

SMSA's long-term vision includes the recruitment of regional Development Officers to further support new and existing Men's Sheds across Scotland on a grassroots level



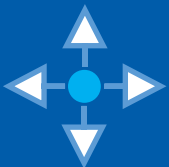
Shed Start-up/Development Pot

Create a fund, co-ordinated and managed by the SMSA, for new and existing Sheds to access start-up and/or development monies for their group in communities across Scotland



A Focused National Awareness Campaign

Raise awareness of the value and benefits of Sheds, as community-based organisations that can create practical and social activities that encourage positive health behaviours and outcomes, with health professionals and agencies



Armed Forces and Veterans Community

Improve and extend reach to the Armed Forces and Veterans Community and Blue Light Services by working in co-production to provide integrated support through the promotion of the 'choice' to access the Men's Shed as an active transition model back into citizenship



Regional Shed Ambassadors

Recruit key Regional Shed Ambassadors to 'fly the SMSA flag' and support the Scottish Men's Sheds Movement

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Section A Statement of receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Expendable endowment funds	Permanent endowment funds	Total funds current period	Total funds last period
	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
A1 Receipts						
Donations	2,303				2,303	809
Legacies					-	
Grants	125,000	107,500			232,500	94,850
Receipts from fundraising activities					-	
Gross trading receipts					-	
Income from investments other than land and buildings (Bank Interest)	27				27	204
Rents from land & buildings					-	
Gross receipts from other charitable activities	656				656	2,560
					-	-
A1 Sub total	127,986	107,500	-	-	235,486	98,423
A2 Receipts from asset & investment sales						
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets					-	
Proceeds from sale of investments					-	
A2 Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	127,986	107,500	-	-	235,486	98,423
A3 Payments						
Expenses for fundraising activities					-	
Gross trading payments					-	
Investment management costs					-	
Payments relating directly to charitable activities	69,199	29,173			98,372	98,657
Grants and donations					-	450
Governance costs:					-	
Audit / independent examination	422				422	240
Preparation of annual accounts					-	-
Legal costs					-	-
Other					-	-
					-	-
A3 Sub total	69,621	29,173	-	-	98,794	99,347
A4 Payments relating to asset and investment movements						
Purchases of fixed assets					-	499
Purchase of investments					-	
A4 Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	499
Total payments	69,621	29,173	-	-	98,794	99,846
Net receipts / (payments)	58,365	78,327	-	-	136,692	(1,423)
A5 Transfers to / (from) funds						
					-	
Surplus / (deficit) for year	58,365	78,327	-	-	136,692	(1,423)

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Section B Statement of balances

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Expendable endowment funds	Permanent endowment funds	Total current period	Total last period
		to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Cash and bank balances at start of year	24,128	14,850			38,978	40,401
	Surplus / (deficit) shown on receipts and payments account	58,365	78,327			136,692	(1,423)
						-	-
						-	-
	Cash and bank balances at end of year	82,493	93,177	-	-	175,670	38,978

(Agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))

B2 Investments	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Market valuation	Last year
			to nearest £	to nearest £
		Total	-	-

B3 Other assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (if available)	Current value (if available)	Last year
			to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
	ACER Aspire 5 Laptop (Comms Officer)				499
		Total	-	-	499

B4 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due	Last year
			to nearest £	to nearest £
		Total	-	-

B5 Contingent liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (estimate)	Last year
			to nearest £	to nearest £
		Total	-	-



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Section C Notes to the Accounts

C1 Nature and purpose of funds (may be stated on analysis of funds worksheets)

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	Type of activity or project supported	Individual / institution	Number of grants made	£
C2 Grants	Shed Emergency/Pathfinder/Staff Costs	Scottish Gov	1	100,000
	General	William Grant	2	45,000
	General	Robertson T	1	20,000
	Pathfinder	SCA	2	7,500
	General	Scottish Gov	2	60,000
		Total		232,500

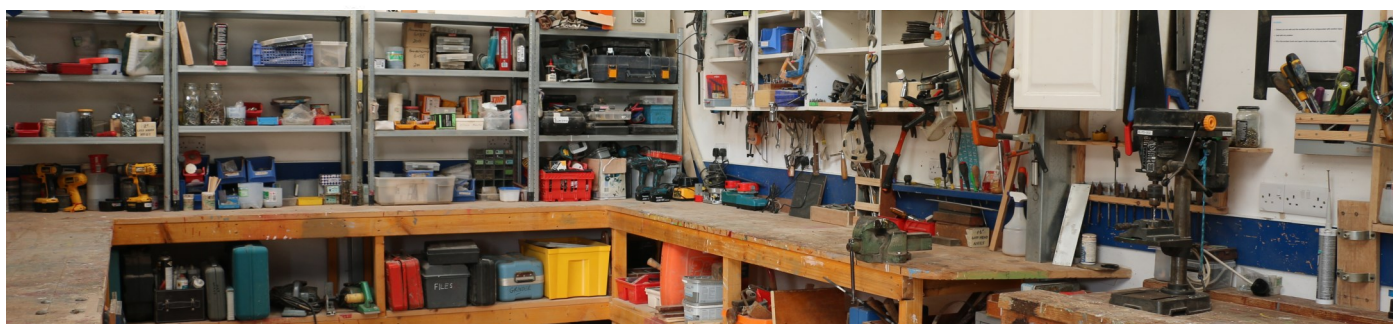
C3a Trustee remuneration	If no remuneration was paid during the period to any charity trustee or person connected to a trustee cross this box (otherwise complete section 3b)	X
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	Authority under which paid	£
C3b Trustee remuneration - details		

C4a Trustee expenses	If no expenses were paid to any charity trustee during the period then cross this box (otherwise complete section 4b)	
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	Number of trustees	£
C4b Trustee expenses - details	1	236

	Nature of relationship	Nature of transaction	Transaction amount (£)	Balance outstanding at period end (£)
C5 Transactions with trustees and connected persons				



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Additional analysis (1)

Analysis of receipts and payments

1 Donations

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Expendable endowment funds to nearest £	Permanent endowment funds to nearest £	Total current period to nearest £	Total last period to nearest £
Donation by member of the public	700				700	125
PayPal Giving Fund UK	160				160	337
PayPal	1				1	44
AmazonSmile & Europe	69				69	13
easyfundraising	114				114	93
Virgin Money Giving	276				276	197
Aviva	482				482	-
The Mission group	500				500	-
					-	-
Total	2,303	-	-	-	2,303	809

2 Grants

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Total current period to nearest £	Total last period to nearest £
Scottish Government	60,000	100,000	160,000	75,000
William Grant Foundation	45,000		45,000	5,000
MacMillan Cancer Support				14,850
The Robertson Trust	20,000		20,000	
Scottish Community Alliance		7,500	7,500	
Total	125,000	107,500	232,500	94,850

3 Gross receipts from other charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Expendable endowment funds to nearest £	Permanent endowment funds to nearest £	Total current period to nearest £	Total last period to nearest £
Shed Membership Subscriptions	656				656	2,560
					-	
					-	
					-	
					-	
					-	
					-	
Total	656	-	-	-	656	2,560

4 Payments relating directly to charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Expendable endowment funds to nearest £	Permanent endowment funds to nearest £	Total current period to nearest £	Total last period to nearest £
Trustee expenses	236				236	893
Staff expenses (not included in Travel, subsistence & accommodation)	55				55	62
Pension	3,774				3,774	6,076
Printing costs, stationery & Postage	1,688				1,688	4,390
Staff costs	59,816	1,708			61,524	66,209
Membership costs & subscriptions	1,000				1,000	2,503
Travel (inc. Mileage), subsistence & accommodation	72				72	5,825
Telephone, internet & website	1,380				1,380	4,322
Rent & insurance	1,104				1,104	7,115
Bank charges	75				75	98
Project spending		27,464			27,464	-
Advertising and sundry					-	1,164
Total	69,199	29,173	-	-	98,372	98,657

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Additional analysis (2)

5 Breakdown of unrestricted funds

	Unrestricted fund 1 - enter name of fund below Unity Trust Bank Accounts (Current & Instant Access)	Unrestricted fund 2 - enter name of fund below	Unrestricted fund 3 - enter name of fund below	Unrestricted fund 4 - enter name of fund below	Total unrestricted funds	Total unrestricted funds last period
Receipts						
Donations	2,303				2,303	809
Legacies					-	
Grants	125,000				125,000	80,000
Receipts from fundraising activities					-	
Gross trading receipts					-	
Income from investments other than land and buildings (Bank Interest)	27				27	204
Rents from land & buildings					-	
Gross receipts from other charitable activities	656				656	2,560
Sub total	127,986	-	-	-	127,986	83,573
Receipts from asset & investment sales						
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets					-	
Proceeds from sale of investments					-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	127,986	-	-	-	127,986	83,573
Payments						
Expenses for fundraising activities						
Gross trading payments					-	
Investment management costs					-	
Payments relating directly to charitable	69,199				69,199	98,657
Grants and donations					-	450
Governance costs:					-	
Audit / independent examination	422				422	240
Preparation of annual accounts					-	
Legal costs					-	
Sub total	69,621	-	-	-	69,621	99,347
Payments relating to asset and investment movements						
Purchases of fixed assets					-	499
Purchase of investments					-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	499
Total payments	69,621	-	-	-	69,621	99,846
Net receipts / (payments)	58,365	-	-	-	58,365	(16,273)
Transfers to / (from) funds					-	
Surplus / (deficit) for year	58,365	-	-	-	58,365	(16,273)



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Additional analysis (3)

6 Breakdown of restricted funds

	Restricted fund 1 - enter name of fund below	Restricted fund 2 - enter name of fund below	Restricted fund 3 - enter name of fund below	Restricted fund 4 - enter name of fund below	Total restricted funds	Total restricted funds last period
	Scottish Community Alliance	Scottish Gov				
Receipts						
Donations					-	
Legacies					-	
Grants	7,500	100,000			107,500	14,850
Receipts from fundraising activities					-	
Gross trading receipts					-	
Income from investments other than land and buildings					-	
Rents from land & buildings					-	
Gross receipts from other charitable activities					-	
Sub total	7,500	100,000	-	-	107,500	14,850
Receipts from asset & investment sales						
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets					-	
Proceeds from sale of investments					-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	7,500	100,000	-	-	107,500	14,850
Payments						
Expenses for fundraising activities					-	
Gross trading payments					-	
Investment management costs					-	
Payments relating directly to charitable activities	7,500	21,673			29,173	
Grants and donations					-	
Governance costs:					-	
Audit / independent examination					-	
Preparation of annual accounts					-	
Legal costs					-	
Sub total	7,500	21,673	-	-	29,173	-
Payments relating to asset and investment movements						
Purchases of fixed assets					-	
Purchase of investments					-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	7,500	21,673	-	-	29,173	-
Net receipts / (payments)	-	78,327	-	-	78,327	14,850
Transfers to / (from) funds					-	
Surplus / (deficit) for year	-	78,327	-	-	78,327	14,850



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		Independent examiner's report on the accounts					v2
Report to the trustees/members of	Charity name Scottish Men's Sheds Association						
Registered charity number	SC045139						
On the accounts of the charity for the period	Period start date				Period end date		
	Day	Month	Year	to	Day	Month	Year
	01	April	2020		31	March	2021
Set out on pages							(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)
Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner	The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the terms of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) 2005 Act and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. The charity trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1) (d) of the Accounts Regulations does not apply. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts as required under section 44(1) (c) of the Act and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.						
Basis of independent examiner's statement	My examination is carried out in accordance with Regulation 11 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeks explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and, consequently, I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.						
Independent examiner's statement	In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention [other than that disclosed on the attached page*]						
	1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:						
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to keep accounting records in accordance with section 44(1) (a) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 4 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations, and to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 9 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations 						
	have not been met, or						
	2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.						
Signed:	<i>W Sim</i>			Date:	08/07/2021		
Name:	Wilma Sim ACCA (non-practicing)						
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):							
Address:	Thyme Accountants						
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- Cross-Party Group on Health Inequalities
- Cross-Party Group on Armed Forces and Veterans Community
- Action Group on Isolation & Loneliness in Scotland (AGIL)
- Unforgotten Forces consortium—a partnership between 16 leading agencies all delivering a range of services to older veterans living in Scotland

SMSA works in partnership with key groups and organisations and strives to connect with the key players in men's health including:

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- Befriending Networks
- British Red Cross
- Campaign to End Loneliness
- Chest Heart and Stroke Scotland
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